OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OFFICER, NOTIFIED AREA, DANDELI.

Notification dated 25th September 1968.

(Under Section 324(4) of the Mysore Municipalities Act, 1964).

No. PWD/WTR of 1968-69. Notice is hereby given for the information of the persons likely to be affected thereby that the Notified Area Committe, Dandeli, has proposed under its Resolution No. 7, dated 2nd March 1968, to adopt the draft (Water Supply) Model Bye-laws 1968 as appended hereto.

The draft to the above Bye-laws will be taken into consideration after one month (30 days) from the date of publication of this notice in the *Mysore Gazette*.

Any objections or suggestions which may be received before the above specified period from any person with respect to the above said adoption of the Model Bye-laws along with the Draft Modification will be considered by the Notified Area Committe, Dandeli.

Objections or suggestions may be made in writing and addressed to the Chief Officer, Notified Area, Dandeli.

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The Mysore Municipalities (Water Supply) Model Bye-laws, 1966.

1 Title.—These bye-laws may be called the Dandeli Notified Area Committee (Water Supply) Model Bye-laws, 1968.

2 Definitions.—In these bye-laws, unless the context otherwise requires.—

(*a*) "Act" means the Mysore Municipalities Act, 1964.

(*b*) 'Authorised Officer' means the Chief Officer of the Notified Area Committee, Dandeli.

(*c*) 'Consumer' includes any corporate body, person or persons or occupier consuming water supplied by the Notified Area Committee and the owner of any premises.

(*d*) 'Department' means the Water Supply Department of the Notified Area Committee and includes the Chief Officer.

(*e*) 'Departmental Stop Cock or Valve' means the gland cock or valve fixed outside the premises and supplied by the owner but operated by the department.

(*f*) 'Communication Pipe' means that portion of the pipe line between the main and the departmental stop valve.

(*g*) 'Premises' means any house or building (inclusive of the grounds attached thereto) or its part or any tenement thereof in respect of which water is supplied or applied for.

(*h*) 'Service pipe' means that portion of the pipe line laid within the premises.

(*i*) 'Storage Cistern' means any cistern for containing the water supplied by the department but shall not include a cistern for storing hot water or water for flushing or other sanitary needs.

(*j*) 'Supply pipe' means that portion of the pipe line between the departmental stop valve nearest the main and the entrance to the premises.

3 Water not to be used for non-domestic purposes.—

(1) Water supplied by the Notified Area Committee shall ordinarily be used for a *bona fide* domestic purpose and shall not be used for non-domestic purpose except with the previous permission in writing of the authorised Officer and subject to the provision of clause (2).

(2) The Notified Area Committee may, subject to such conditions as it may determine, permit the supply of water for non-domestic purposes.

(3) No water cart or lorry not belonging to the Notified Area Committee shall take water from public fountains.

Explanation.—(1) In this bye-law, *bona fide* domestic purpose means the use of water for drinking, cooking, bathing, washing clothes and gardening.

Explanation.—(2) Non-domestic purpose means using water in respect of institutions of an industrial, commercial or business nature and also coffee clubs, restaurants, tiffin rooms, hotels, theatres, clubs of recreation, dairy farms, motor garages, stables used for hire or commercial nurseries, fruit or flower gardens, and all premises where construction, alteration of building are carried out.

4 Installation and removal of public fountains.—(a) A public fountain shall ordinarily be located at distances not less than one hundred and eighty metres apart.

(a) The Chief Officer, may close temporarily any public fountain found to be misused or contaminated.

5 Election of public fountains by private donors.—Private individuals may, subject to the following conditions be allowed to erect fountains in streets for the benefit of the members of the public.—

(i) The number of such fountaints is strictly restricted to *bona fide* public requirements of any particular locality as may be decided by the Notified Area Committee;

(ii) the conditions as are applicable to other Notified Area Committee public fountains shall apply to them;

(iii) they are made over to the Notified Area Committee for maintenance;

(iv) they shall not be permitted to be used by the public for taking water for non domestic purposes;

(v) no special privilege is claimed by the donor.

6 Application fer water connection.—(1) The owner, lessee are occupier of any premises; who desires to have a supply of water shall make an application for water connection to the authorised officer in the form appended to these bye-laws. The application shall be accompanied by a sanctioned plan or tax paid receipt, an endorsement for having paid the road cutting charges to the appropriate authority, a detailed estimate of cost of connections, and three prints of the several houses in the compound and the details of lay out of the pips line, in relation not only to the Municipality's distribution lines running close but also to the public and private drains, latrines, etc.

(2) The applicant shall pay to the Notified Area Committee the cost of attachment from the public main at the following rates.—

		Rs.
12 7	mm attachment or less (diameter) ...	4
19 05	Do ...	5
25·4	Do ...	6
31·75	Do ...	7
38 1	Do ...	8
44·45	Do ...	9
50·8	Do ...	10

with a uniform addition of Re. 1 for every increase in the size of the pipe by 6·35 mm (diameter).

(3) Every application shall be submitted through a plumber and shall be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 20 in the case of domastic supply and Rs. 100 in the case of non-domestic supply to serve as an advance, the actual amount being determined by the Authorised officer in each case in addition to the cost of attachment road boxes and meter boxes. The deposit shall be refunded to the depositor on demand after he settles the account and ceases to be consumer. Without prejudice to the terms and conditions of any agreement in this behalf, such deposits shall be made in the case of existing connections also, where deposits have not been made so far. The applicant shall also pay in advance the cost of laying the communication pipe after receipt of intimation from the Authorised Officer.

Explanation.—In case of a number of houses situated in the same compound such as police lines or the Government servants quarters or tenement houses constructed by Government or by private individuals the entire premises shall be treated as a single until for purposes of deposit.

7 Plumber's notice for giving connections.—(1) The plumber executing the work shall give at least two days' notice to the Authorised Officer for getting connection with the departmental distribution line.

(2) The service connection shall be given by the Authorised Officer after satisfying himself that the rules and bye-laws in this behalf have been satisfied.

(3) Connection with the departmental main shall be in accordance with the subsidiary instructions issued from time to time by the department in this behalf.

(4) The work shall not be commenced until after the departmental approval is communicated in writing to the consumer through the concerned lincened plumber.

(5) No consumer shall for the purpose of conveying or receiving the water supplied by the Notified Area Committee fix, fit or use any pipe, tap, valve, cock, cistern or any other water fittings or sanitary appliances other than of the quality and strength specified by the department. No consumer shall be entitled for the supply of water unless and until such pipes and fittings and the laying and fixing thereof are approved by the Autherised Officer.

(6) The consumer shall satisfy the Authorised Officer regarding the quality of material used and the due observance of the specifications inside the premises before laying the communication pipe.

(7) A schedule of rates chargeable for the materials and for execution of work as in force at the time shall be kept by the department for the information of the consumer.

8 Specification of work.—The department may by subsidiary instructions specify the size, nature, materials, workmanship, strength and mode of arrangement, connection disconnection, alteration and repair of pipes, meters, cocks, ferrules, valve, soil, pans, water closets, baths, cisterns and other apparatus and for bid any arrangements and use of any water fittings which may allow any waste, undue consumption, misuse, erroneous measurement or contamination.

9 Extension, alteration or removal of existing connections.—In cases where the consumer or owner applies for extension of the existing connections, he shall not be required to alter or renew the fittings existing on the date of application unless in the opinion of the Authorised Officer they or so defective or located in such a position as to cause or likely to cause obstruction to the water supplied by the department or result in waste, undue consumption, misuse or contamination of water.

10 Number of connections of premises.—No premises shall except with the special permission in writing of the Chief Officer be supplied with water by more than one communication pipe.

11 Connections generally from nearest distribution line The water connection shall ordinarily be taken from the nearsest distribution line feeding the locality where in the premises is situated. Special connections from other sub-mains shall not be allowed except under the orders of the department.

12 Alterations in the interest of water supply,-without prejudice to the terms and conditions of any agreement in this behalf, the department may, if at any time, it deems necessary in the interest of the water supply to alter the position of an existing connection with any public main or the communication pipes and fittings there of, direct such alteration after giving not less than two days' notice in writing to the person concerned. The cost of all alterations of the connection up to the departmental pipe line shall be borne by the consumer.

13 Fixing of pumps, etc., on water supply pipes prohibited,— No person shall fix, fit or use a hand pump or any self-acting sanitary or other out fit on the water supply service pipe.

14 Accessibility of pipes and fittings. Every pipe or fitting within a building shall, as far as practicable, be so placed as to admit of easy access for examination, repair or removal.

15 Provisions of departmental stop-cock supply line,-(i) Every connection shall have just outside the premises and in any easily accessible position, a valve or gland cock of the approved pattern with a minimum diameter of the supply pipe. This valve or cock shall be supplied by the consumer. Such valve or cock if below the ground level shall in every instance, be suitably protected by a surface box of the approved pattern supplied to the consumer or by the Department at consumer's cost.

(ii) Every such gland cock shall be provide with a detachable check nut union Joint near to it for facility of connecting or disconnecting service. In the case of existing service, where the original gland cocks are either far away from the premises or otherwise inaccessible, seperate additional gland cocks and check nut points shall be provided by the consumer, when and where required by the Authorised Officer.

16 Communication and other pipes not to be laid through insanitary places,—(i) No communication of other pipe shall be laid so as to pass into or through any sewer, drain, latrine, manhole or ash pit or manure pit. Such pipe shall not be allowed to remain in contact with any foul smelling or injurious materials. In unavoidable cases adequate protection to the pipe shall invariable be provided by carrying it through an exterior cast iron tube or in any other suitable manner approved by the department.

(2) Pipes laid in open ground shall be at least 0.46 meter below the ground level.

(3) Pipes intended to carry water supplied by the Department shall not be allowed to carry water supplied from any other source.

17 Storage cisterns,—(1) In every case where water is to be supplied to a storage cistern, a suitable automatic control valve for closing the inlet shall be provided. In addition to this, a warning pipe shall also be fitted near the cistern in such a manner that overflowing water from the same can be easily noticed by the consumer or departmental staff.

(2) A storage cistern reservoir or storage tank shall be provided with dustbin and water-proof cover and ventilation and shall be placed as to admit of ready inspection and repairs and cleaning and shall be free from contamination. The position of the warning pipe of the cistern shall not be altered except with the approval of the Authorised Officer.

(3) A cistern buried or excavated in the ground shall be provided with a reflux valve to prevent the back flow of the water to the pipe line and shall be so constructed as to ensure the water-tightness as well as the impervious of the cistern to outside contamination. The authorised officer may inspect and cut off the service to such a cistern whenever contamination or misuse or any other defect in construction is noticed.

(4) Unless otherwise specially authorised, no consumer shall be allowed to take water throug any boiler water closet or sanitary appliance except from a storage cistern of the approved specification.

18 Department or licensed plumbers to execute work all water connections or alterations or extensions or repairs to any water connection shall if not done, by the Depeatment be done by a licensed plumber.

19 Meter rent or service charges, For every meter installed in a premises and kept in working condition the following rates of meter rent or service charges shall be levied per month in addition to whatsoever charges may be due for the water consumed, provided that for the period when the meter is out of order, no such rent or service charges shall be charged

	Rs. P
12.70 mm and 19.05 mm meter (diameter)	0-50
25.40 mm meter (diameter)	0-75
31.75 do	1-00
38-10 do	1-25
50.80 do	1-75
68.50 do	2-50
76.20 do	3-00
101.60 do	5-00
152.50 do	8-00
bove 152.50 do	10-00

20 Damage to meter.—(1) Meters shall be supplied by the Department and shall be placed inside the premises of the consumer who shall be held responsible for any damage or tampering with the meter. He shall also be liable to pay the cost of making good such damages.

(2) The Authorised officer shall subject to an appeal to the Notified Area Committee assess the damages caused. The consummer shall be liable to pay the damage so assessed and on failure the same shall be recovered from him in the manner prescribed for recovery of dues under the Act.

21 Meter Reading,-The meter reading shall be done on any day between sunrise and sunset, and the readings recorded on meter cards hung up in a safe and prominent position in the house. The consumer shall be responsible for the safety of the card.

22 Dispute regarding meter reading,-Projects or disputes as regards reading of meters shall be lodged by the consumer within seven days after the readings are recorded on the meter card. No complaints received after this period shall be entertained.

23 Meter testing, (1) Any consumer disputing the accuracy of the meter may apply to the Chief Officer, who shall on payment of Re. 1 per test, arrange for the testing of the meter. If no actual test the quantity registered by the meter is in excess of the correct quantity by more than 5 per cent the testing fee shall be refunde- and a proportionate rebate shall be allowed for the month in question and modified bill prepared. No rebate shall be allowed if the excess is 5 per cent and below and the testing fee shall not also be refunded in such cases.

(2) The Department reserves to itself the right to make its owa tests free of cost at any time after giving intimation of the same to the consumer.

24 Charges when meter goes out of order,—If on examination any meter is found to be out of order, the consumption during the period since the last reading till the meter is repaired or a new meter is installed shall be calculated at the average daily consumption of the last six months or any smaller number of completed months during which, in the opinion of the Department, the meter was recording properly and the consu uption of water was not for any reason abnormal.

25 Free Allowance of water.—(1) The Notified Area Committee may provide free allowance of water to a consumer for consumption for domestic purpose, the following rates based on the annual rental value of the premises, (1) when the annual rental value exceed Rs. 1,000—3,000. Litres (ii) when the annual renta value exceeds Rs 500 but does not exceed Rs. 1,000 - 2,000 Litres, (iii) when the annual rental value does n. exceed Rs. 500— 1,000 Litres.

(2) In the case of premises containing flushing latrines, an additional free allowance of 500 litres in respect of each such latrine may be allowed by the Notified Area Committee provided that the concession shall not apply to more than two such latrines in a single house or premises.

(3) Free Allowance to Government buildings used for residential purposes shall be on the same scale and conditions as for private premises.

26 Free allowance in the case of new premises,—In the case of every new premises, free allowance shall be granted from the date the Municipal assessment has effect, provided that the construction work is over and the premises are used for *bona-fide* domestic purposes. In the absence of the Municipal receipt for payment of assessment, the minimum free allowance fixed under these bye-laws shall be allowed, provided that the construction work is over and the house or premises is occupied for domestic purposes. The correct free allowance shall be granted only on production of the said municipal receipt. But, in no case, shall free allowance be granted for the period not covered by Notified Area Committee assessment.

27 Modification of free allowance,—Application for modifications in the quantity of free allowance allowed by the Department to any premises and noted on the bill sent every month shall be made within fifteen days from the date of the bill. No complaints received after this period shall be entertained.

28 Same premises with separate consumers.—Whenever the Notified Area Committee assesses a premises separately, the Department may give a separate connection thereto. But where more than one building is existing in the same premises occupied by different consu-

mers but under a single assessment, no separate free allowance shall be given to eachsuch undivided building.

29 Several houses supplied by one pipe.—(1) In the case of Blocks of houses situated in one and the same compound and separately assessed by the Notified Area Committee and having only one water supply connection on account of insufficiency of main or other cause, the total rental value on the houses shall be taken into consideration for purposes of calculating free allowance.

(2) In the case of a house the assessment of which has been split up by the Notified Area Committee thereby entitling the owner to a separate water connection to each sub-assessed house · it shall be incumbent on the owner to apply for a separate water connection to each sub-assessed house; and where conditions do not permit of a separate connection being given, due to insufficiency of the main or other cause, the free allowance shall be calculated on the total rental valte of the block as a whole and not on the independent rental value of each such sub-assessed house in the block.

30 Meter used partly for domestic and partly for non-domestic purposes,—(1) In the case of premises in which water is used partly for domestic purposes and partly for non-domestic purposes, the Notified Area Committee or the Chief Officer or other authorised officer shall, after making necessary investigations, determine the percentage of water utilised for domestic purposes and non-domestic purposes respectively, and prepare the bill accordingly.

(2) An appeal shall lie against the decision under clause (1) to the Notified Area Committee whose decision thereon shall be final.

31 Rates for water supply for domestic purposes,—(1) A Charge of Rs. 0-50 P for every 1,000 litres of water supplied in excess of free allowance shall be levied in addition to meter hire.

(2) Where supply of water is not regulated through meters service connections for water supply for domestic purposes shall be under the tap rate system; but, if the department or the authorised offier has reason to believe that in any case the water supplied under the tap rate system is misused for non-domestic purposes also or is likely to be wasted, the Department or the Authorised Officer may require, the owner or occupier to meter the connections, the cost of alterations required consequent to conversion to Meter System being borne by the occupier or owner in accordance with the specification given by such authority and in default, the supply may be cut off or the said authority may arrange to execute the work and recover the cost of such conversion from the owner or occupier as per the estimate prepared for the purpose. Supply according to Tap rate System shall be suitably thorttled to regulate the rate of flow as may be considered fit by the Department or the Authorised Officer.

(3) The charges for supply of water under the Tap Rate System shall be at the following rates :—

12.07 mm Bore—Rs. 2 Per month for the first 3 taps and Re. 1 per tap for 3 additional taps subject to a maximum of Rs. 3 per month per connection.

19.05 mm Bore—Rs. 3 per month for the first 3 taps and Rs. 2 per tap for 3 additional taps subject to maximum of Rs. 5 per month per connection.

(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing sub-clauses, supply of water in the following cases shall be on the metered system only irrespective of the fact whether the entire building is used for the purposes mentioned below or not.—

(i) Residential hotels ;

(ii) Shops, commercial establishments, Hostels, Restaurants, Eating Houses, Theatres and places of public amusement or entertainment ;

(iii) Supply to Industrial Undertakings ;

(iv) Supply to Non-residential buildings not falling in the above categories, for example schools, clubs, hospitals, dispensaries, public and private offices. workshops and construction purposes, dairies and poultries ;

(v) Any supply other than for Residential purposes as the Notified Area Committee may decide :

Provided where the charges for water supplied by the Notified Area Committee are imposed in the form of a tax assessed on buildings and lands no charges shall be made under this clause.

32 Rates for water supply for non-domestic purposes, — No free allowance of water shall be allowed for non-domestic purposes. Water supplied to such premises shall be charged at Rs. 3 for every 1,000 litres. The same rates shall also apply to Government Industrial and Commercial concerns.

33 Payment for water supply and other charges,—The water charges, meter rent or service charges and other charges due under these bye-laws shall be paid by the consumer within the dates specified in the bills at the Notified Area Committee. Non-receipt of bills shall not be accepted as an excuse for delay in payment and the consumers shall obtain a copy of the bill for any month within the 20th day of the succeeding month in order to make prompt payment :

Provided the tap rate due for each month shall always be payable in advance before the 5th of every month :

Provided further that the demand in respect of charges under the meter system shall ordinarily be made within the 10th of the month succeeding that to which the consumption relates.

(2) On failure of payment, within the due date, the Department may cut off supply of water to the premises and connection will be restored only on receipt of the amount along with a penalty of rupee One in such cases.

(3) This penalty will not be charged if disconnection is made at the request of the consumer, subject to the condition that all the dues upto the date of disconnection are paid up on or before the due date.

34 Payment by consumer or owner,—All moneys due for water consumed, meter rent or other charges under these bye-laws shall be payable by the consumer or on his default by the owner.

35 Notice for stopping use of Water,—Whenever a person ceases to occupy the premises supplied with water or to use the water, he shall send a written notice to the Notified Area Committee. In case of his failure to do so, the Notified Area Committee may proceed against the person or the owner to recover any charges that may become due including those for excess consumption, or wastages occurring during the period of non-intimation to the authorised Officer.

36 Notice of change of ownership or tenancy, — All changes of ownership or tenancy of a premises shall be intimated by the owner at least a fortnight in advance, to the Chief Officer, in writing.

37 Claims for water charges, not time-barred,—(1) Non-receipt of the bill referred to in bye-law 33 in time shall not affect the liability of the consumer for payment of water charges due. Arrears of charges due, if found irrecoverable will be recovered in the same manner as any other Notified Area Committee dues under the Act.

(2) The Department shall, when requested by the consumer in writing, furnish a memorandum showing the consumption and probale charges on account of water consumed, meter rent and other items, for any period subsequent to the preparation of the last bill in the Office.

38 Inspection of premises,—The authorised Officer may enter any house, building or land to which water is supplied to examine if there by any waste, or misuse of water or if there is dispute about the supply of water and for inspecting the water meters and fittings for conveying, receiving, storing, and measuring water or for removing the instruments belonging to the Department. But, this power of entry shall ordinarily be exercised only between the hours of sun-rise and sun-set and at other times of the day with previous intimation of not less then six hours to the consumer or owner, or in his absence to the members of his family.

39 Report regarding wastage of water and other steps, (1) In every case where water supplied to a premises is being wasted by leakage through pipes, the consumer shall immediately give information to the Chief Officer or to the Officer-in-charge of the nearest water service station of the Department so as to enable necessary action being taken immediately to arrest the wastage.

(2) In case the consumer desires to effect repairs, the same shall be done only through a licensed plumber and after duly intimating the Chief Officer, the details thereof

(3) In cases of neglect or delay in reporting wastage, the Chief Officer may cut off the water connection with out notice and follow it up with an official notice to the consumer to take appropriate action to prevent such wastage.

(4) The Connection shall not be restored until the defects of leakage are satisfactorily attended to. The consumer shall be liable to pay the cost of such immediate repairs as are executed through the agency of the Department.

40 Hidden leakage,— In cases where the Chief Officer after making necessary investigations, opines that wastage of water is due to hidden leakage, the party may be charged at half the rate of such loss, the quantity being calculated as the difference between the actual consumption and the average consumption of the previous six months during which there was no such hidden leakage.

41 Power to cut off connection,— (1) The Chief Officer, shall have power to cut off the connection between the supply and communication pipes in any one of the following cases, provided that a reasonable written notice showing the specified cause or causes is given in advance, such notice being posted on the houses or premises in case the consumer is not accessible ;

(a) In default of payment of excess water charges, meter rents or any other charges due under these bye-laws which have been duly demanded previously through bills issued from the Office of the Notified Area Committee.

(b) If any consumer violates any of the conditions on which the connection has been granted to the premises resulting in the misuse of such water.

(c) In case of leakage through pipes or other fittings or any defective or insanitary condition of the same.

(d) In case of allowing wastage of water even after the issue of a warning in advance.

(e) In the case of broken pipes or fitting causing or likely to cause heavy loss of water or damage to property.

(f) In the case of refusal to allow the departmental officers to enter into any land or building for the purpose of inspecting or repairing or attending to any work connected with the water supply given to the premises.

(g) In case of any person wilfully or unauthorisedly permitting any other person to take a connection from his supply.

(h) In the case of contamination of water from a storage cistern.

(i) In case the Occupier of the premises does not give proper protection to meter readers from any injury being caused by animals, such as dogs etc.

(2) The water supply cut off by the Department shall not be restored as long as the wrongful act or comission for which the supply was cut off continues.

42 Stoppage of water in mains.—The Chief Officer shall have power to stop or reduce the supply in any public main or sub-main for repairs or renewals without any notice on emergent occasions. But, in ordinary cases, when the stoppage is over an extensive area or is due to exigencies which can be foreseen, such previous notice as is poisible under the circumstances shall be given by beat of drum or other means.

43 Breaking up of Notified Area pavements, road or other property during the pipe laying, In every case where the Notified Area Committee pavement, drain, road, man hole, or other property is likely to be affected during the laying of pipes for any premises, the consumer or on his behalf, the licensed plumber, shall give suficient notice thereof to the Notitfied Area Committee. He shall be also subject to the same control, restrictions and obligations to the Notified Area Committee during the period of such work as the department itself is, including the liability for any penalties recoverable for delay, inconvenience and incomplete or unsatisfactory finishing of the works connected with the affected portions.

44 Removal of pipe fittings by consumer or owner,— Any Consumer or owner may get his pipes removed provided he gives at least 15 days notice through a licensed plumber to the authorised officer. Every such consumer shall compensate the department for any injury or damage to the departmental pipe lines.

45 Use of water,—(1) The water supplied by the department shall be used only for the specific purposes permitted.

(2) Any fittings and branch pipe for non-domestic use on a domestic supply or *vice versa* or those which are out of use or otherwise defective, shall be removed and the connections properly sealed when required by the authorised officer. Should the consumer or the owner fail to comply with such requisition, the authorised officer may enter any house or premises and execute the required work; and the expense thereof shall be recovered from the consumer or the owner in the same manner as other charges are recoverable under these rules.

46 Hose Pipe Connection prohibited,— Hose pipes shall not be used from any connection metered or unmetered, except with the permission of the Department in writing and all water drawn through such pipe shall be separately charged for. Every such pipe shall have a gland-cock at the delivery end

47 Pipes, taps, etc., property of owner,— (1) Save as otherwise provided in the Act, rules or bye-laws all pipes, taps, fittings, etc., forming part of private connections of a consumer upto and inclusive of the stop-cock nearest the supply main, shall, in the absence of any agreement to the contrary, be the property of the owner of the said premises.

(2) In the case, however, of the communication pipe and the stop-cock, the Department shall have the liberty to operate them for purposes of management and control. The meters or other appliances for measuring or limiting the amount of water supplied which may be installed by the department within or outside the premises shall be the property of the Department

(3) Any public sub-main or distribution pipe line laid by a private donor as a contribution work shall be duly handed over to the department for operation and maintenance. The owner shall not have control over such lines.

48 Punishment for offences,— Whoever commits any of the offences specified below or any other offence under any of the foregoing bye-laws shall, on conviction before a Magistrate be punishable for every such offence with fine which may extend to Rupees fifty and to a further fine not exceeding Rupees Ten for every day after such conviction during which such offence continues,—

(1) breaking the seal of a water meter or altering the index of any water meter or preventing the meter from regsstering the quantity of water supplied,

(2) diverting any portion of the water supplied to him before it has been registered by the meter set upon his premises for measuring the consumption of water;

(3) having a supply of water for domestic purposes, using such waier for other than domestic purpose,

(4) having a connection for any specific non-domestic purpose, using it for any other purpose,

(5) obstucting the authorised officer or any member of his staff in the discharge of his duties under bye-law-39.

(6) neglecting to report the wastage of water under bye-law 41,

(7) removing pipes without notice to the Chief Officer or the authorised Officer,

(8) wilfully or unauthorisedly permitting any other person to take a connection from his supplies,

(9) unauthorisedly taking connection for water from the departmental public main or reservoir or a public fountain line,

(10) wilfully or carelessly breaking, injuring or tampering with any cistern lock, meter seal, valve, pipe, water cock, engine, or pump belonging to the department, or flushing or drawing of the water from the reservoirs or other works of the department,

(11) bathing in any stream or reservoir or other works connected with Notified Area Committee water supply or throwing any dog or other animal therein or any rubbish dirt or filth or washing or cleaning any cloth, wool, skin or vessels or animals, or carriages or vehicles etc., or unauthorisedly connecting the service pipes with a skin or drain, doing any doing any act whereby the water is likely to be fouled.

49 Recovery of water charges from Government residential buildings.—In the case of Government buildings used for residential purposes, the water charges shall be recovered as under the bye-laws applicable to the general rate-payers, from the occupier direct as a liability against him. In the case of his default, the Head of the Department concerned, who is in charge of the building shall recover the arrears, and pay the same to the Notified Area Committee.

50 Supply of water at concessional rates and exemptions:—(1) The Notiffed Area Committee may by resolution passed at a general meeting arrange for the supply of water at concessional rates to any public or charitable institution or may exempt any institution or property or both from payment of water charges.

(2) Where a Government Institution is in default or where the claim of the Department is disputed by such institution, the water supply shall not be cut off immediately. Two months time shall be given by the Notified Area Committee to refer the matter to the departmental head and obtain orders for recovery.

51 Water supply outside Notified Area Committee limits—In cases in which water supplly is made to houses, premises, industrial concerns outside the limits of the Notified Area Committee, these bye-laws shall apply *mutatis, mutandi* sexcept where such supply is controlled by a separate agreement with the Department.

52. Unusual drought, war or other accidents,- The Notified Area Committee shall not be liable for any compensation, penalty, damages or other payment, for failure or water supply occasioned by unusual drought, operation of war or other accidents, act of God or other causes beyond control.

53. Wells to be maintained in sanitary conditions,- (1) The owner or occupier of any land or building where there is a well, whether its water is intended for human consumption or not, shall keep the well in sanitary condition to the satisfaction of the Chief Officer.

(2) Save as otherwise provided the owner or occupier shall,-

(i) Provide the inner walls of the well with mortar or cement-lining so as to fill up crevices:

(ii) provide, if necessary, steps to the well so as not to project beyond four inches from the lining of the well ;

(iii) provide the well with a parapet wall allround to a height of not less than three and a half feet from the ground level with the top portion sloping outwards ;

(iv) provide the surroundings of the well with impervious cement or stone platform sloping away from the well to a distance of not less than three feet from the parapet wall all round ; and

(v) provide a catch drain to lead the waste water away from well to a drain nearby"

54 Rubbish not to be deposited near the well.—No dung heap or rubbish shall be deposited or heaped in any place within a distance of ten feet from the well.

55 Owner to comply with directions.-It shall be competent to the Chief Officer to require by reasonable notice, the owner of every well to comply with the provisions of these bye-laws.

56 Maintenanee of other sources of water supply.—It shall be competent to the Chief Officer or by written notice to require the owner of, or any person who has control over any well, stream, channel, or other source of water supply, whether it is private property or not to keep and maintain such source of water supply in a sanitary condition and in good repair.

57 Construction of water works, etc.-(1) The Notified Area may construct, lay or erect filtration plants, reservoirs, machinery conduits, pipes or other works for supplying water to the Notified Area Committee and may provide tanks, reservoirs, machinery mains, fountains and other conveniences within the Notified Area Committee for the use of the inhabitants.

(2) The Notified Area Committee may cause existing water works to be maintained and supplied with water or it may close such works and substitute such other works and may cause them to be maintained and supplied with water.

58 Tress pass on water supply premises.—No person shall, except with permission obtained from the Chief Officer enter on the premises of water works or any premises connected with water supply.

59 Prohibition of buildings over water mains.-(1) without the permission of the Chief Officer no building wall or other structure shall be newly erected and no street shall be constructed over the Notified Area Committee water main;

(2) If any such building wall or other structure be so erected, or any street be so constructed the Chief Officer may cause the same to be removed or otherwise dealt with as he deems fit and the expenses thereby incurred shall be paid by the persons contravening the provisions of sub-clause (1).

60 Control over house connections.—All house connections whether within or without the premises to which they belong along with the water supply mains, shall be under the control of the Notified Area Committee but shall be maintained in proper order at the expense of the owner of the premises to which they belong.

61 Inspection of watermain and service pipes, etc.—The Notified Area Committee may from time to time inspect, repair, alter or renew or may at any time remove any main, or service pipes, with such stop-cock and other water fittings as it may deem necessary for supplying water.

62 Prohibition of waste or misuse of water.—(1) No person shall wilfully or negligently cause or suffer any water fitting which he is liable to maintain,—

(a) to be or remain out of order or so in need of repair; or.

(b) to be or remain so constructed or adopted or to be soused, that the water supplied to him is or is likaly to be wasted, misused or unduly consumed or contaminated before use or that foul air or any impure matter is likely to return into any pipe belonging to or connected with a pipe belonging to the Notified Area Committee.

(2) If any water fitting which any person is liable to maintain is in such a condition or so constructed or adapted as aforesaid, the Chief Officer may without prejudice to any other action against the person, require that person to carry out all necessary repairs or alterations and if he fails to do so, may himself carry them out and recover the expenses reasonably incurred thereon from such person.

(3) The Chief Officer may between sun rise and sun set enter any premises supplied with water in order to examine if there be any waste or misuse of water so supplied and such office shall not be refused admittance to the premises nor obstructed by any person in carrying out the examination.

(4) The Chief Officer may test any water fitting used in connection with water supplied by the Notified Area Committee

63 Water Pipes, etc., not to be laid in places where water will be polluted,—No water pipe shall be laid in a drain or on the surface of an open channel or house gully or within six meters of a cess pool or in any position where the pipe is likely to be injured or the water therein polluted and except with the permission of the Chief Officer no cistern shall be constructed within six metres of a latrine or cess pool.

64 Prohibition of certain acts.—No person shall,—(1) wilfully obstruct any person acting under authority, in setting out the line or any works or pull up or remove any pillar, post, or stage fixed in the ground for the purpose of setting out the lines of such work or deface or destroy such works made for the same purpose; or.

(2) Wilfully or negligently break, injure, turn on, open, close, shut off or otherwise interfere with any tock, cork, valve, pipe, meter or other work or apparatus belonging to the Notified Area Committee; or.

(3) Unlawfully obstruct the flow of or flush draw off or divert or take water from any water work belonging to the Notified Area Committee or any water course by which any such water is supplied; or.

(4) Obstruct any officer or other employee in the discharge of his duties or refuse or wilfully neglect to furnish him with the means necessary for making an entry, inspection, examination or inquiry in relation to any water works or.

(5) bathe in, at or upon any water work or wash or throw any rubbish, dirt, filth into any water work or other source of water or wash or clean therein any cloth, wool, or leather or skin of any animal, or cause water of any sink or drain or any steam engine or boiler, or any polluted water to turn in or be brought into any water work or do any other act whereby the water is fouled or is likely to be fouled.

65. Levy of flat rate.—In respect of non-domestic, non-metered connections, a minimum of Rs. 4 per month, towards water readings will be less than Rs. 2 (two only) a minimum of rupees 2 (two) shall be levied in respect of all metered domestic connections. Similarly, when the water charges as per meter readings will be less than Rs. 4 (four only) a minimum of Rs. 4 shall be levied in respect of all non-domestic metered connections.

66. Charges for special supply,—In case of special supply for special occasions like marriage, ceremonies, and other like functions, applications shall be made in advance, at least one week before the function to the Chief Officer. If the supply position permits, special supply for one hour will be permitted at the convenient hour subject to payment of Rs. 5 towards water charges for one hour.

67. Removal of meters —In respect of domestic metered connections, the owner or occupier, as the case may be, may apply in writing to the Chief Officer for removing the meter and fixing a flat rate towards the monthly water charges payable by him based on the average of the water charged worked out on the basis of the meter readings of

the past six months provided such owner or occupier gives an undertaking to the effect that he shall abide himself that he shall pay such flat rate as may be fixed by the Chief Officer which shall not be less than rupees five in respect of domestic connections and provided further that the Chief Officer at his discretion may refuse the removal of meter and his decision shall be final. No application in this behalf will be entertained when the duration between the date of fixing and removing the meter falls short of six months.

68 Mode of payment of water charges,—In the case of domestic connections monthly flat rate water charges shall be paid in advance on or before the 5th of every month in the Notified Area Committee, failing which water supply shall be cut off by the Notified Area Committee, at the risk of the owner or occupier as the case may be without notice. Thereafter, if the owner or occupier as the case may be, desires to have reconnection he/she shall pay a reconnection fee of Rs. 2. (Two only) with application after paying the entire arrears due on the date of reconnection. However, the owner or occupier is at liberty to pay the flat rate water charges in advance yearly, half-yearly or quarterly at his/her convenience. Further non-issue of demand bills for payment of flat rate water charges in respect of domestic connections, is no excuse for non-payment of such water charges as the water charge in these cases is a fixed monthly demand. In respect of metered non-domestic and domestic connections Bills shall be issued every month to the consumers for payment of the water charges of the preceding month. If the water charge in these cases is not paid within five days from the date of service of demand bills water supply shall be cut off by the Notified Area Committee Chief Officer at the risk of the owner or occupier as the case may be without notice. Thereafter, if the owner or occupier, as the case may be, desires to have reconnection, he/she shall pay a reconnection fee of Rs. 2 (two only) with an application after paying the entire arrears due on the date of reconnection.

69 Penalty.—Whoever contravenes any of the provisions in these bye-laws, shall be punishable,

(a) With fine which may extend to fifty rupees and in the case of continuing, contravention, with an additional fine which may extend to fifteen rupees for every day during which such contravention continue after conviction for the first such contravention.

(b) With fine which may extend to ten rupees every day during which the contravention continue after receipt of a notice from the Chief Officer by the person contravening the bye-law requiring such persons to discontinue such contravention.

A. B. PUBANIK,
Chief Officer

APPLICATION FOR WATER SUPPLY
(BYE-LAW 6)

To
The Chief Officer,
Notified Area,
Dandeli.

I .....having arranged with licensed plumber Shri:.....that the water service connection to my premises hereinafter described shall be installed by about.....hereby request that the connection by..... meter attachment may be given to the said premises on or after the above date, and that a meter or meters of the necessary capacity be installed.

2 The annual rental value of the permises is Rs....as per the Municipal Tax paid receipt herewith attached.

3 I hereby certify that I have read a copy of the rules and bye-laws now in force and agree to abide by the same and also agree to pay at.....per 1000 liters of water and meter hire of.....per month from the date of turning on water .....per month the date of turning on water.

4 I forward herewith plan and specification in duplicate together with the attachment and other fees of Rs.....

5 Description of the premises.....
Owner's name.....
No. of premises.....
..... Notified Area Committee.

6 Object of non-domestic connections,—

(i) Premises not assessed.

(ii) Premises used for business or commercial purposes

(iii) Premises under construction.

(iv) Premises are outside Notified Area Limits.

Witness,—
(1)
(2)

Signature of Owner
Notified Area Committee, Dandeli

DECLARATION BY PLUMBERS.

I, plumber holding licence No .....of..... hereby declare that I have agreed to lay the said connection according to the estimate given below/separately herewith.

Notified Area Committee, Dandeli Dated.....	Plumber.
Notified Area Committee, Dandeli Dated.....	Chief Officer.

Estimate.

Signature of the Owner. Signature of the Plumber